Federal Bureau Of Investigation Awards Lockheed Martin Biometric Card Scanning Service Contract

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The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) has awarded Lockheed Martina five-year, \$47 million contract to continue managing the FBI Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division's Card Scanning Service (CSS) program. The contract covers the conversion of paper fingerprint, palm print and photo records into high-quality electronic records for the FBI.

Records processed through this program are submitted by state, local, and federal law enforcement agencies and used to populate the Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identification System (IAFIS) database, a national fingerprint and criminal history system maintained by the FBI CJIS Division. With this new contract, the FBI will also be able to automatically process paper fingerprint records submitted by foreign law enforcement agencies.

"We're proud to continue our decade-long partnership with the FBI on the Card Scanning Service program," said Barbara Humpton, vice president, Lockheed Martin Information Systems & Global Services. "Having secure, accessible records is a vital element in the Bureau's ability to take quick and decisive actions for citizen safety. This new system will significantly improve how the FBI accesses traditional fingerprints as well as palm print and photo records."

"This card scanning service contract will aid the FBI in establishing a more complete and up-to-date criminal history record in support of law enforcement and criminal justice efforts, while creating employment opportunities in West Virginia," added FBI CJIS Division Acting Assistant Director Jerome M. Pender.

Operations for the program will take place primarily in Fairmont, WV, with support from several small business partners across the country, including West Virginia-based IMTS; Communications Resource, Incorporated (CRI), a woman-owned small disadvantaged business located in McLean, Va.; Massachusetts-based Aware, Inc.; and BancTec, headquartered in Dallas, TX.

Eventually, the records processed through the CSS program will populate the FBI's Next Generation Identification (NGI) program. NGI will further advance the FBI's biometric identification services, providing an incremental replacement of current IAFIS technical capabilities while also introducing new functionality. Lockheed Martin is the lead industry partner on the NGI program.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin is a global security company that employs about 146,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. The corporation reported 2008 sales of \$42.7 billion.

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